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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the training and licensure requirements
2 for certain persons working on the installation and repair
3 of plumbing, HVAC, refrigeration, or hydronic systems, and
4 providing for a fee.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 105.2, subsection 1, Code Supplement
2 2009, is amended to read as follows:

3 1. "*Apprentice*" means any person, other than a helper,
4 journeyperson, or master, who, as a principal occupation,
5 is engaged in working as an employee of a plumbing, HVAC,
6 refrigeration, or hydronic systems contractor under the
7 supervision of either a master or a journeyperson and is
8 progressing toward completion of an apprenticeship training
9 program ~~registered by the office of apprenticeship of the~~
10 ~~United States department of labor~~ while learning and assisting
11 in the design, installation, and repair of plumbing, HVAC,
12 refrigeration, or hydronic systems, as applicable.

13 Sec. 2. Section 105.9, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2009,
14 is amended to read as follows:

15 1. The board shall set the fees for the examination of all
16 applicants, by rule, which fees shall be based upon the cost
17 of administering the examinations. However, the fee for an
18 apprentice examination shall be set at seventy-five dollars.

19 Sec. 3. Section 105.18, subsection 2, paragraph a,
20 subparagraph (3), Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 (3) Be enrolled in an applicable apprentice program ~~which is~~
23 ~~registered with the United States department of labor office~~
24 ~~of apprenticeship.~~

25 Sec. 4. Section 105.18, subsection 2, paragraph b,
26 subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (c), Code Supplement
27 2009, is amended to read as follows:

28 (c) Provide the board with evidence of having completed
29 at least four years of practical experience as an apprentice.
30 ~~Commencing January 1, 2010, the four years of practical~~
31 ~~experience required by this subparagraph division must be an~~
32 ~~apprenticeship training program registered by the United States~~
33 ~~department of labor office of apprenticeship.~~

1 Sec. 5. Section 105.18, subsection 2, paragraph b,
2 subparagraph (1), Code Supplement 2009, is amended by adding

3 the following new subparagraph division:

4 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH DIVISION. (d) In lieu of subparagraph
5 division (c), provide the board with evidence of having passed
6 the state apprentice examination in the applicable discipline
7 and of having completed at least two years of practical
8 experience as an apprentice.

9 Sec. 6. Section 105.20, subsection 6, Code Supplement 2009,
10 is amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
11 thereof the following:

12 6. The board shall not establish continuing education
13 requirements as a condition to license renewal, notwithstanding
14 the provisions of section 272C.2.

15 Sec. 7. Section 272C.2, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2009,
16 is amended to read as follows:

17 1. Each Except as otherwise provided by law, each licensing
18 board shall require and issue rules for continuing education
19 requirements as a condition to license renewal.

20 EXPLANATION

21 This bill makes changes relating to training and licensure
22 under Code chapter 105, the Iowa Plumber, Mechanical
23 Professional, and Contractor Licensing Act.

24 Currently, an apprentice working on the installation and
25 repair of plumbing, HVAC, refrigeration, or hydronic systems
26 must be enrolled in an applicable apprentice program that is
27 registered with the United States department of labor's office
28 of apprenticeship. This bill eliminates the requirement that
29 the program be registered with the federal government.

30 The bill also allows an apprentice seeking a journeyperson
31 license to test out of the four-year apprenticeship after
32 completing two years. The bill sets the fee for this
33 examination at \$75.

34 The bill eliminates the requirement that licensees under
35 Code chapter 105 meet any continuing education requirements as
1 a condition of licensure renewal.